

committee amendments, whatever the case may be. And if you put yourself in the position that you want your bill protected, that you didn't want it changed without 25 members voting differently, and it does give you an advantage, that's very true. I happen to think maybe that in many respects the introducer ought to have at least some advantage and I do not see that as a disadvantage proposition at all. I do not see how this can delay the process. I am inclined to believe that we spend far more time, if we're talking about wasted time, to try to undo something that's been adopted than we do by the necessity of requiring 25 votes. I would urge the body to adopt the amendment. I think it would improve the process.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You have heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the proposed Rules Committee amendment to Rule 6, Section 3(h). All in favor vote aye, all opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 6 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the proposed rules change.

SPEAKER WITHEM: I think I would like to take care of a few procedural matters, first of all. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 288. Secondly, an announcement. People have been asking about the plans for the remainder of the day. I believe I announced earlier it will be my desire to see us work into the lunch hour and as through as many of these rule changes as is possible. We usually make that determination by counting noses as the day goes forward, but I would like to work on into these rules matters. And, next, I understand the Clerk has several items to read for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills, thank you. (Read LBs 948-982 by title for the first time. See pages 218-25 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Will, for the next proposed amendment to the rules.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Will, as Chair of Rules, offers an amendment to the rules, originally introduced by Senator Elmer. It amends Rule 7, Section 3(e); may be found on page 179 of the Journal.